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SUBJECT: Announcement of Incentive Awards to Local Workforce Investment Areas for WIA PY 2000

REFERENCE: Section 134(a)(2)(B)(iii) of P.L.105-220, Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998; Subpart B, Section 665.200(e)(1)(2)(3) of WIA Final Rules dated August 11, 2000; Workforce Information Memo #03-01 dated June 12, 2001

BACKGROUND: This document serves as the formal announcement of outcomes of the Method II Successful Practices Incentive Funds application process for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program Year 2000. Eight Local Workforce Investment Areas (LWIAs) submitted applications based on efforts and initiatives related to regional coordination and collaborative linkages. Seventy percent (70%) of the state's incentive funds were made available to respondents of the Method II application process.

State Workforce Development Administration (WDA) staff, as well as a subcommittee composed of members of the Governor's Council on Workforce Policy (GCWP), reviewed the applications using the scoring methodology distributed via WIA Information Memo #03-01 dated June 12, 2001. The methodology was based on a two-tiered approach:

- **Tier I** - An application must receive a minimum of 71 points out of a possible 100 points for an LWIA to be considered for an incentive award.
- **Tier II** - If an application received the necessary minimum of 71 points as required in Tier I, then the amount of incentive dollars awarded, (as a percentage of an LWIA's formula allocation) was based on the number of points received in Category 4 of the application, "Focus on Results," divided by the total number of points possible for Category 4 (30 points). **EXAMPLE:** If an LWIA received a score of 25 points under Category 4, then the amount of incentive dollars awarded would be determined as follows:

$$\frac{25 \text{ Points}}{30 \text{ Points}} = 83.3\% \text{ of the Award Available to the LWIA}$$

The maximum allocation per LWIA can be found in WIA Information Memo #03-01, Attachment III. The Method II incentive funds are awarded to the following LWIAs for PY 2000:

Cochise County	\$ 21,463
Gila/Pinal Counties	23,099
Maricopa County	90,311
Navajo County	23,437
City of Phoenix	110,507
Pima County	76,795
Yuma County	139,606

Each local area above will be receiving a copy of the score sheet for its application. Among the actions taken by the GCWP in reviewing the Method II applications was the development of the following appeals process, which will apply to PY 2000 as well as future WIA incentive award processes:

- (1) Deadline for Appeals: Applicants must submit appeals to the Arizona Department of Commerce, Office of Workforce Development, 3800 North Central Avenue, Suite 1500, Phoenix, Arizona 85012 no later than fifteen (15) working days after being notified that an incentive award has been granted or denied.
- (2) Review Process: A separate body made up of GCWP representatives will review appeals and submit final determinations to the LWIAs no later than thirty (30) working days after receipt of each appeal.

ACTION REQUIRED: Please distribute this document to all staff responsible for submittal of incentive award applications.

If you need additional information, please contact Ms. Pat Gregan, Policy Specialist at (602) 542-2490.

Sincerely,

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